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# CONGRESSMAN DAVID WU ANNOUNCES ASTORIA AIRPORT FUNDING

***Airport manager says the airport is 'key to area development'***

Washington, DC – Congressman David Wu today announced that the Astoria Regional Airport will receive federal funds to improve service in the area. The Federal Aviation Administration notified Congressman Wu earlier today that the airport will receive \$551,700.

"As someone who uses the Astoria Regional Airport, I look forward to watching the airport expand to accommodate the area," said Congressman Wu. "Improving the airport facility to better serve the region makes sense for the economy – locally and outside the region."

Ron Larson, airport manager, said, "This grant is certainly appreciated. Once again, the FAA has shown its continuing support of one of the vital intermodal infrastructures for Clatsop and Pacific Counties. This airport is key to the development of this whole area and we are pleased that the FAA has demonstrated the willingness and foresight to put \$4 million into this airport over the last 10 years -- now \$4, 551,700."

The new funding will be used to install perimeter fencing to eliminate elk incursions on the runways and to construct new taxiways to allow access to the hangar site and to increase capacity at the airport.

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